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For : UNIVERSAL EXTERIOR VEHICLE SECURITY LIGHT

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Dear Sir:

REQUEST FOR FILING CONTINUATION APPLICATION
UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 CFR 1.53 of co-pending application Serial No. 10/251,053, filed September 20, 2002, by Todd W. Pastrick, Mark R. Litke, David Willmore, and Rick Mousseau, entitled LIGHTED EXTERIOR MIRROR SYSTEM, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/962,835, filed September 25, 2001, by Todd W. Pastrick, Mark R. Litke, David K. Willmore, and Rick Mousseau, entitled UNIVERSAL EXTERIOR VEHICLE SECURITY LIGHT, now U.S. Patent No. 6,494,602, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/641,379, filed on August 18, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,299,333, which is continuation application of Serial No. 09/174,757, filed on October 19, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,149,287, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/687,628, filed July 26, 1996, now Patent No. 5,823,654, which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 08/607,284, filed February 2, 1996, now Patent No. 5,669,704, which is continuation of Serial No. 08/426,591, filed April 21, 1995, now Patent No. 5,497,306, which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 08/333,412, filed November 2, 1994, now Patent No. 5,497,305, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/011,947 filed, February 1, 1993, now Patent No. 5,371,659.

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1. Copy of Prior Application as Filed Which is Attached

I hereby verify that the attached papers are a copy of what is shown in my records to be the above-identified prior application, including the Declaration as originally filed (37 CFR 1.53). No amendments referred to in any Declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter in that application.

The copy of the papers of the prior application as filed which is attached includes 27 pages of specification, 14 pages of claims (87 claims), 1 page of Abstract, and 22 sheets of drawings. In addition, a copy of the signed Declaration and Power of Attorney as filed November 11, 1996, in the great-great-great-grandparent application Patent No. 5,823,654 is attached.

2. Amendments

A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed including new Claims 88-231, which have been numbered consecutively beginning with the number next succeeding the last claim in the great-great-great-grandparent application.

3. Patent Application Bibliographic Data Form

A copy of the Patent Application Bibliographic Data Form is enclosed.

4. Filing Fee and Calculation

Basic Fee	\$ 770.00
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Additional Fees

Each independent claim in excess of three, times \$86.00	\$.00
Number of claims in excess of twenty, times \$18.00	\$2,232.00
Filing multiple dependent claims per application \$290.00	\$.00

Total Filing Fee	<u>\$3,002.00</u>
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A check in the amount of \$3,002.00 for the filing fee is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 22-0190.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees during the pendency of this application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 22-0190.

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- a) Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims for which full payment has not been tendered.
- b) Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17 for which full payment has not been tendered.

5. Drawings

Twenty-two (22) sheets of drawings are enclosed and are copies of those filed in the parent application.

6. Disclosure Statement

Applicants respectfully request that information cited in the prior parent application, Serial No. 09/962,835 be considered in the present application.

7. Inventorship Statement

With respect to the prior co-pending U.S. application from which this application claims benefit under 35 USC 120, the inventors in this application are the same, namely, Todd W. Pastrick, Mark R. Litke, David K. Willmore, and Rick Mousseau.

8. Assignment

The prior application is assigned to Donnelly Corporation, a corporation of the State of Michigan, located and doing business at 414 East Fortieth Street, Holland, Michigan 49423. That Assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on November 18, 1996, at Reel 8288, Frame 0292.

9. Power of Attorney

The original Power of Attorney in the parent application Serial No. 09/641,379 is to Van Dyke, Gardner, Linn & Burkhart, LLP and the individual attorneys and agents at

said address, consisting of Daniel Van Dyke, Reg. No. 25 046; Donald S. Gardner, Reg. No. 25 975; Terence J. Linn, Reg. No. 30 283; and Frederick S. Burkhardt, Reg. No. 29 288. An Associate Power of Attorney to Catherine S. Collins, Reg. No. 37,599 is enclosed.

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10. Verification

I hereby declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

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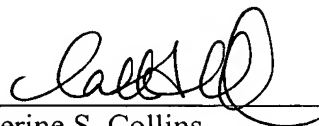
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CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAIL

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